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NIA DIRECTIVE NO. ____/M-1

*There is a call
Draft dated
2 May 1947*

1. In implementation of the overall policies and objectives established by the National Intelligence Authority in its Directive No. ____ of (date), which establishes a plan for the coordination of production among the several intelligence agencies of the Government, the Central Intelligence Group is accepting the responsibility previously vested in the Publications Review Subcommittee transferred to the Central Intelligence Group by memorandum of the Joint Intelligence Committee dated 19 April 1946.

2. The history and functions of that subcommittee are described in paragraphs 2 through 10 of the enclosure to JIC 86/9.

3. In the belief that the war time conditions justifying the activities of the Publications Review Subcommittee no longer exist, and also in the belief that there is a definite need for central control of the interagency flow of intelligence studies, I request each of the members of the Intelligence Advisory Board to designate a representative to serve as member of an interagency committee under the chairmanship of such person as I may designate to redraft a charter for an interagency Publication Review Committee. The chairman of the committee will on or before 1 July 1947 present to me a proposed directive designed to insure a careful and continuing review of agency intelligence publications to eliminate undesirable duplication and unnecessary reports, to insure adequate dissemination of approved publications, and to prevent excessive distribution.

4. Designations should be in my hands by _____. The committee's first meeting will be held on _____ at _____.

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Following thoughts occur to me:

1. Why couldn't the proposed Centralized Reading Center be saddled with this responsibility, thus obviating the necessity of another committee? If not, then the Publication Review Committee should be restricted to elimination of undesirable duplication and not to insure adequate dissemination which is, I think, the responsibility of the Reading Center.
2. Shouldn't a memo be sent to JIC accepting the transfer to CIG of Publications Review Subcommittee?

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